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## REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art of record does not disclose or suggest the invention as claimed.

Independent claims 1 and 10 of the instant invention each require measurement steps to be taken at specific times in combination with further measuring method steps performed when a car is being carried in suspension through an automobile assembly line. This combination is neither disclosed nor suggested by the art of record. Therefore, claims 1-15 are allowed.

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2. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to G. Bradley Bennett whose telephone number is 571.272.2237. The examiner can normally be reached on M-TH 8:30-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Diego F.F. Gutierrez can be reached on 571.272.2245. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571.273.8300.

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